

Needham Youth Services

Board of Director Meeting Notes

December 14, 2011

Materials Distributed (both prior to and at the meeting): Agenda; Minutes of 11/9/2011; December Department Report; A Conversation Evaluation Compilation; Pollard Parenting Program Evaluation Compilation; FY 2013 Budget Information; Patrick Forde Flyer/Invitation; Winter Brochure; and eleven (11) newspaper articles.

- **Accepted Minutes of 11/9/2011**

- **Community Focus**

Discussed events in the community including:

- The Powder Puff Football Game. The Board and staff played a significant role many years ago in making this game safe and a healthy activity for students (as in the past it was not sanctioned and dangerous)
- The process and discussion that the Board of Selectmen are addressing regarding the sale of alcohol from stores (i.e. package stores) in Needham
- The end of the year game that seniors at Needham High School played called “Assassin.” It was noted that this game can get out of control, holds many opportunities for injury, and that it can create anxiety for youth. The staff will follow up on this and report back at the January meeting.

- **FY2013**

Things continue as planned and Jon will be meeting with the full Finance Committee in late January

- **The Move Back to Town Hall**

The staff shared more about the advantages and challenges of being back in Town Hall. The remainder of the office furniture will arrive in late December, and the couches and sectionals will arrive a month later. In sum, the staff is happy to be here and in the process of making this space feel like our home. Special thanks to Town Manager Kate Fitzpatrick and Assistant Town Manager Christopher Coleman for assisting us with space issues.

- **New/Old Business:**

- Update on the VIP Program which is going well
- Jon thanked the Board for their support during his medical challenges last month
- The Forde Award will be held on Monday, January 23, 2012
- The staff have been working on new brochure trifold and these will be published in January
- Discussion about the Needham Community Council
- The Winter brochure was distributed
- The Supplemental Packet was distributed

- **Upcoming Meeting:** January 11, 2012 in the Highland Room located on the lower level of Town Hall

- **Adjourn**

Members Present:	Cathy Lunetta, Allison Berger, David Bookston, Ronnie Haas, Danielle Penny, Vin Springer, Debbie Winnick
Members Absent:	Jessica Hoguet
Staff Present:	Jon Mattleman, Katy Colthart, Michelle Butman
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